IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: KLAUS BIESTER § ART UNIT: 3679

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 9, 2007

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In response to the final Office Action dated July 9, 2007, Applicant responds as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.